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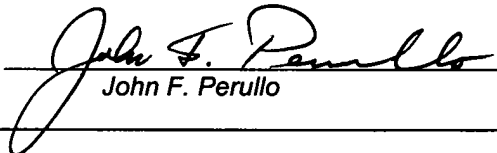
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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the applicant requests consideration of this information disclosure statement.

**Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97**

This information disclosure statement has been filed more than three months after the filing date of this application and after the mailing date of the first office action, but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311. The fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

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**Information Cited**

The applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the relative importance of the references.

**Explanation of Non-English Language References and  
Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited**

DE 36 33 527 A1 is a German language document. A Derwent English abstract is provided.

**Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d)**

The present application is a divisional application claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 to U.S. application Serial No.09/360,654, filed July 26, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/160,384 filed September 25, 1998. Information listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and marked with an asterisk (\*) indicates information that was also cited in the parent application in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)-(c). Copies of these references have not been resubmitted with this filing.

**Remarks**

A copy of each of the above-identified information is enclosed unless otherwise indicated on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). It is respectfully requested that:

- The examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
- The enclosed form PTO-1449 be signed by the examiner to evidence that the cited information has been fully considered by the Patent and

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- The citations for the information be printed on any patent which issues from this application.

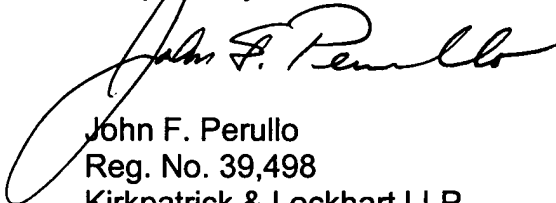
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It is understood by applicant that the foregoing information will be considered and, to the extent deemed appropriate by the examiner, will be reflected in the examiner's communication.

Respectfully submitted,



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